

# **Protecting Endangered Species from Pesticides**

A Presentation for Pesticide Users





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## EPA's ESPP Program

- EPA anticipates assessing about 44 active ingredients each year
- There are about 19,000 registered pesticide products, each containing one or more active ingredients (more than 1,000 active ingredients are registered)
  - Each product is registered for one to many different uses, each with different use instructions and for use on different sites
  - EPA must review each use pattern of each product, to determine if that use may have an effect on each of the 1,200 species listed as either endangered or threatened in the United States.

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# EPA's ESPP Program

- All pesticides and their use patterns are subject to EPA's new ESPP Program
  - > No pesticides are exempt from the requirements
    - Pesticides granted for use under Emergency Exemptions and Special Local Needs are also subject to the Program
  - > No use patterns are exempt from the requirements
    - Agricultural and non agricultural (e.g., rights-of-way, structural, ornamental, turf)
    - Users include commercial and agricultural applicators, and homeowners
    - However, EPA has determined that uses of products that are used solely indoors and that remain indoors, have no effect on listed species

# EPA's ESPP Program

- If EPA determines that limiting a pesticide's use in an area is necessary to protect a species:
  - A generic statement will appear on the pesticide product label
  - You will be referred to EPA's Web site to obtain a Bulletin on the pesticide
  - Any limits on use will be shown in the Bulletin.
  - The label statement will direct you to check EPA's web site <u>six months</u> (no sooner) before using the product to determine if there are areas where you <u>cannot</u> use the product. (Note: You also do not want to wait days before you are going to use the product before you check with – you risk purchasing a product you cannot use in certain areas!)

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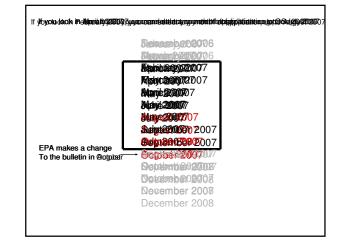
## EPA's ESPP Program

Sample Generic Label Statement

"This product may have effects on endangered species. When using this product, you must follow the measures contained in the Endangered Species Protection Bulletin for the area in which you are applying the product. To obtain Bulletins, consult www.epa.gov/espp, or call 1-800-447-3813 no sooner than six months before using this product. You must use the Bulletin valid for the month and year in which you will apply the product."









### When Will New Labels Appear On Currently **Registered Pesticide Products?**

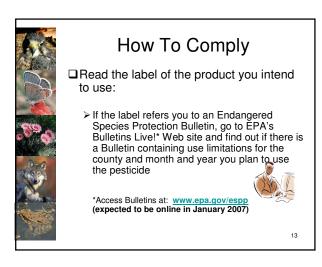
- EPA is currently reviewing the following pesticides to determine their effects on 1, 200 species:
  - Aldicarb
  - Carbofuran
  - 9 rodenticides
- EPA cannot predict a date when a pesticide product label will reference a Bulletin depends on when a pesticide is reviewed by EPA and the outcome of the assessment
- EPA has published a schedule for those pesticides for which Registration Review will begin within the next 4 years.

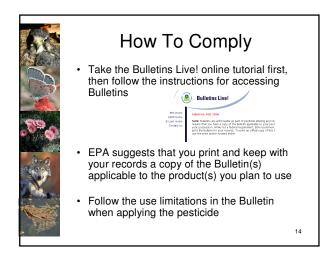
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# Why You Should Comply

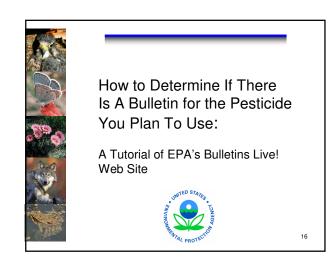
- Protect Endangered Species
- Ensure the availability and continued use of products
- Avoid possible penalties under the law. It is against the law if you do not follow pesticide use limitations in Bulletins.
  - > Bulletins = pesticide product labels = law
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     Bulletins become enforceable when referenced on a pesticide product label
  - EPA Regions, states, and tribes will enforce Bulletins as labeling under misuse provisions of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
- Decrease other possible penalties by the Fish and Wildlife Services or the National Marine and Fisheries Service for "incidental take"
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    FWS and NMFS are responsible for protecting endangered species under the Endangered Species Act

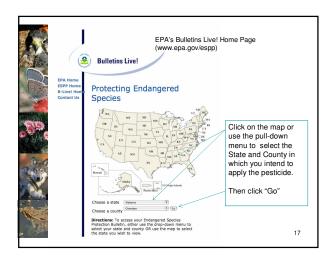
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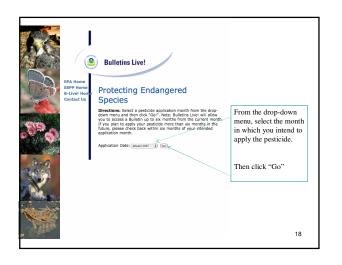


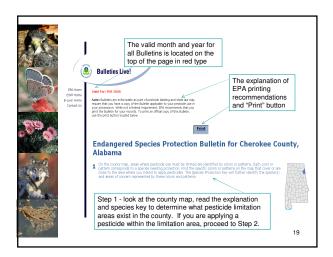


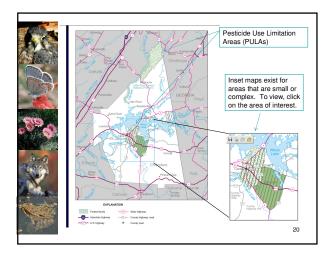


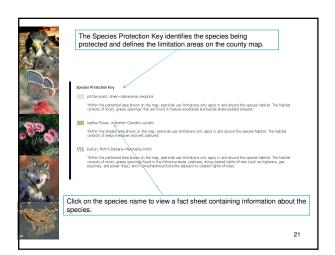


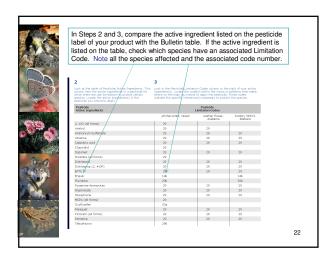
















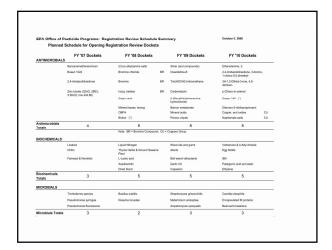


#### How You Can Participate in EPA's **Pesticide Regulatory Decision-making Process**

- Work with your State and Tribal Representatives to identify potential mitigation, such as:
  - Limiting pounds of active ingredient per acre per application
    Restricting use to certain times of the year

  - Creating buffers around waterbodies
  - Prohibiting use in certain areas
- Identify how use instructions could be modified to reduce the potential risk
- Participate early in the process see schedule of pesticides EPA will begin to review within the next 4 years

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#### Resources

- Pesticide Endangered Species Protection Bulletins http://www.epa.gov/espp
  EPA Species-Specific Fact Sheets
- http://www.epa.gov/espp
- Federal list of endangered and threatened species http://www.fws.gov/endangered/wildlife.html
  - EPA Overview of Ecological Risk Assessment Process
- http://www.epa.gov/espp/consultation/ecorisk-overview.pdf Registration Review 4-year schedule

- http://www.epa.gov/oppsrrd1/registration\_review/schedule.htm
- FWS http://www.fws.gov/
- NMFS http://www.nmfs.gov/

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